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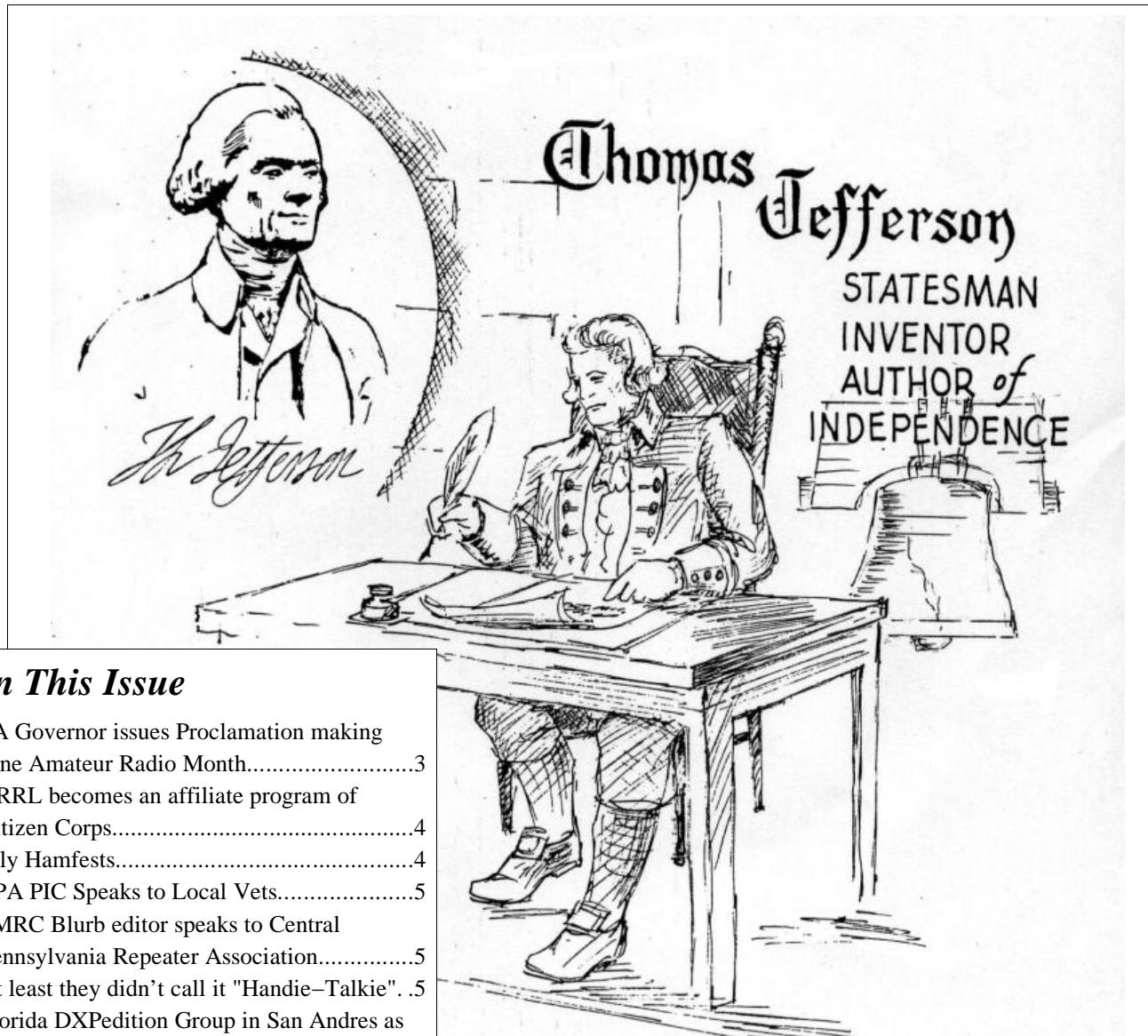


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- **2 Meter/ 70cm Net** .....at 09:30et on W3QV repeater
- **10-on-10 Net** .....at 10:00et 28.393 MHz USB ( $\pm$ QRM)
- **75 meter Net** .....at 10:20et 3.993 MHz LSB

### License Examinations

are held on the **first non-holiday Thursday** each month (except July and August) at  
**Northeast High School,**

**Cottman and Algon Streets, Philadelphia PA**

Registration begins at 6:00 P.M. Enter through the SPARC wing. Exams begin and doors closed and locked at **6:30 P.M.**

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**The club meets** at 7:30 PM on the **second non-holiday Wednesday** of every month except July and August at

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**All visitors are welcome!**

### Club Stations

**W3QV Club Repeater – Trustee: W3BBB**

Ridge & Port Royal Avenues, Philadelphia, PA

**147.03 MHz + PL 91.5 Hz & 444.80 MHz + PL 186.2 Hz**

**W3AA at Northeast High School – Trustee: WU3I**

Cottman and Algon Streets, Philadelphia, PA

**W3EM – Field Day and special event station**

**Trustee: W3VVS**

## PA Governor issues Proclamation making June Amateur Radio Month



On Saturday June 14, 2003 George Law, N3KYZ, (on right of photo) presented PA Governor Rendell's proclamation making June 2003 "Amateur Radio Month" in Pennsylvania, to E. Pa. Section Manager Eric Olena, WB3FPL. The presentation was made during the annual Bloomsburg E. Pa. Section Convention. The proclamation was obtained through the efforts of N3KYZ. (Photo courtesy of N3IRN)

### Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Governor's Office

**WHEREAS**, Thousands of our Commonwealth's citizens have been licensed by the Federal Communications Commission as Amateur Radio Operators. These dedicated volunteers, also known as Hams, have been providing vital supplemental communications to their communities during times of disaster, in local emergencies and at public events since the earliest days of wireless radio; and

**WHEREAS**, these Hams work without compensation in the best interests of our Commonwealth, as well as the world; and

**WHEREAS**, Hams are on the alert for any local or global emergency and are committed to being a critical resource in our Homeland Security efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, Amateur Radio promotes international goodwill, encourages young people to pursue an education and careers in scientific, engineering or liberal arts fields and expands the state of the art in communications and electronics through experimentation.

**THEREFORE**, I Edward G. Rendell, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim June 2003, as AMATEUR RADIO MONTH in Pennsylvania. I encourage all citizens of the Commonwealth to support the efforts of local Amateur Radio operators and recognize their vital importance in a comprehensive communications system.

**GIVEN** under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, this twenty-second day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and three, and of the Commonwealth the two hundred and twenty-seventh."

Signature – Edward G. Rendell, Governor

## **ARRL becomes an affiliate program of Citizen Corps**

(ARLB041) ARRL now is an official affiliate program of Citizen Corps, an initiative within the Department of Homeland Security to enhance public preparedness and safety. ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, signed a formal Statement of Affiliation between DHS and ARRL during the ARRL 2003 National Convention June 21 in Dallas, Texas.

Chief Operating Officer of the Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate (FEMA) Ron Castleman represented DHS at the signing. Citizen Corps Liaison to the White House Liz DiGregorio called ham radio operators the "first of the first responders."

"You are there. You are part of that very, very first response when it happens locally," especially in the initial stages of an emergency or disaster, DiGregorio told the overflow audience at the signing ceremony. She urged amateurs to explore ways to expand their role in the community beyond being the last resort when other communication systems fail. "You need to show your community that you're engaged," she said. "They need to know as a community that ARRL is there."

Among other things, the affiliation statement calls on DHS and ARRL to raise public awareness of Amateur Radio as a safety resource. In addition, DHS and ARRL will cooperate in providing training and accreditation for Amateur Radio

emergency communications and promote the formation of local Citizen Corps councils.

## **July Hamfests**

### **Mid-Atlantic Amateur Radio Club Hamfest – Sunday July 13th 2003**

Indoor and Outdoor Facilities! Door Prizes! Kimberton, PA Fire Co. Fair Grounds Route 113 – South of the Intersection with Route 23Talk-In on 146.835/- and 443.80/+ PL 131.8 Sellers arrive at 7am ~ Buyers arrive at 8am \$6 Admission (unlicensed spouse and children of licensed ham free) \$6 Tailgate Space Not including admission. No reserved Tailgate Spaces. Inside Tables With Electricity \$10 each for 1–4 Tables, \$8 each for 5 or more. Not including admission. No advance Tailgate sales.

For more information contact: Hamfest Committee: email [hamfest-info@marc-radio.org](mailto:hamfest-info@marc-radio.org) or write MARC at PO Box 2154, Southeastern, PA 19399 Advance indoor table sales available by contacting our reservation specialist at [reservations@marc-radio.org](mailto:reservations@marc-radio.org).

### **BRATS Maryland Hamfest and Computer Fest July 27, 2003**

The Baltimore Radio Amateur Television Society (BRATS) will hold its annual Maryland Hamfest and Computer Fest on Sunday, July 27, 2003, at the Timonium Fairgrounds. The event features a 500-space outdoor electronics flea

market (or "tailgating") area and hundreds of indoor vendor spaces.

A wide range of ham radio and computer equipment will be offered, including Amateur Radio transmitters, receivers, and antennas; personal computers; printers, modems, disk drives, and other peripherals; surplus military and commercial electronics; test equipment; and a diverse assortment of radio and computer parts, supplies, and accessories.

Amateur Radio License Exams will be given at 9:00 AM only; check-in is at 8:30 AM. Pre-registration is required. To pre-register, call after 6:00 PM: John Creel WB3GXW at (301) 572-5124 or e-mail to [creewb3gxw@aol.com](mailto:creewb3gxw@aol.com)

Vendors can set up beginning at 2 PM Saturday. The tailgating /flea market area opens to the public at 6 AM Sunday. (Tailgating space is on a first-come, first-served basis at the event (no advance tailgating reservations or registration). Indoor vendors open at 8 AM.

The event will be held rain or shine. The Fairgrounds is accessible to the handicapped. \$6 per adult; children under 12 free. Tables in the air-conditioned Main Exhibit Hall are \$60 each. Outdoor tailgating spaces are \$10 each.

Talk-in will be available on the 147.03+ and 224.96- repeaters. Indoor vendor tables are still available. Call for information.

For information, see <http://www.bratsatv.org>; e-mail [brats@bratsatv.org](mailto:brats@bratsatv.org); call or fax (410) 461-0086; or write BRATS Hamfest and Computer Fest, PO

Box 5915, Baltimore, Maryland / 21282-5915.

BRATS is a non-profit organization benefiting the Baltimore and amateur radio communities through emergency communications, public service, education, and experimentation All event proceeds further those goals.

## EPA PIC Speaks to Local Vets

(from ARRL EPA Section News) CQ Public Service Editor and EPA PIC WA3PZO spoke to a group of local veterans about the importance of ham radio at war. Lincoln High School in Philadelphia paused on Memorial Day to honor those students who have served in the military. The High School was also able to award 5 high school diplomas to students who left school before graduating, but got their GED or equivalent while in the service.

WA3PZO spoke about the call to service during World War II, the first notice of a Korean invasion by ham radio, and the importance of MARS during Vietnam and more current conflicts. He also highlighted amateur radio's role in the war on terrorism, and being caught in the war on drugs. He talked about the many astronauts who are members of the military and also hams. The Columbia disaster was also highlighted. Finally he covered the educational role of the hobby and some of the fun things that we do. Many had no idea of the role of ham radio operators in emergencies. To others

it brought back some memories of using the phone patch during Vietnam to stay in touch with loved ones back home.

## PMRC Blurb editor speaks to Central Pennsylvania Repeater Association

Your own Blurb Editor, Maggie Leber K3XS, in her role as an AMSAT Area Coordinator, spoke on the subject of the AMSAT/OSCAR-40 amateur radio spacecraft at the June meeting of the Central Pennsylvania Repeater Association, a Harrisburg area amateur radio club, at the invitation of club president Gary Blacksmith WA3CPO. The meeting was held at the Harrisburg facilities of M/ACom Wireless. Just before the meeting, Maggie was conducted on a brief tour of the M/ACom Harrisburg facilities by Bob Marzari, W1PT. M/ACom is supplying RF communications systems with Internet-based digital backbones to municipal, country and state government agencies in the Commonwealth, and they have extensive integration and test facilities at this site.

After a short demonstration of the club's new C-band ATV transmitter, soon to be installed at a mountaintop antenna site, Maggie spoke about what makes AO-40 different from other amateur satellites, what facilities survived the on-board explosion of the 400N rocket engine, what the future of AO-40 holds, and what the

requirements are to get on the air via AO-40.

Several of the CPRA members indicated their interest in becoming active on AO-40 as a result of the presentation, and Maggie will be presenting an updated version of the presentation at the Phil-Mont regular monthly meeting in November.

## At least they didn't call it "Handie-Talkie"

A recent Reuters news wire item tells us that Nextel Communications Inc. says it will use trademark law to stop competition for its "walkie-talkie" service from using the term "push-to-talk" to describe their products. "It makes smart and strategic sense to protect a name that refers to a brand," said Audrey Schaefer of Nexttel. She added that if another company uses the term "push-to-talk" Nextel will "notify the organization that Nextel owns the rights to that label"

Some lawyers outside Nextel think there may be a problem here. Reuters quoted Steven Bauer, a partner in the intellectual property group at Boston law firm Testa, Hurwitz & Thibeault as saying "You can't use trademark law to remove words from the dictionary and prevent their ordinary use" Bauer says the phrase is too generic to be a strong trademark.

Reuters says the push-to-talk feature is popular among small work groups for asking colleagues for answers to quick questions,

describing it as "a convenient alternative to having to dial a number on a phone..."

Gee, whodathunkit?

Our new "southern reporter", Russ W3CH/4, has provided us with a number of possible replacements for the term in the event we really need one. But somehow "Depress to Digress", "Depress to Dialogue", "Jam to Jab", "Mash to Mutter", "Squash to Stammer", "Flatten for Discussion", "Crush to Chat" and "Apply Pressure to Converse" all lack a certain panache.

Our favorite of his entire list is:  
**"Release to Listen"**

## **Florida DXPedition Group in San Andres as 5JOJ for CQWW03**

The Florida DXPedition Group has traveled to a different DX country location since 1996 as WP2AHW. In 1997 we were C6AJT, 1998 as WP2Z, 1999 as J6J, 2000 as FG5BG, 2001 as J75J, and 2002 HI9X.

In addition to the CQWW contests, members have operated from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, Antigua, Montserrat, Haiti, Crete, Wake Island, Spratly Island, Chatham Island, East Malaysia, New Zealand, South Georgia, Chili, Navassa, Hawaii, Falklands, Ascension Island, Chagos Island, Hawaii, Palmyra Is. and Alaska.

This year eight members will be operating from San Andres Island during the period of 20-28 October. We will run four to five stations before and after the contest.. We have been assigned 5JOJ as our contest call. In the past we have never asked for any assistance. This year we are asking for donations to help offset the cost. If you are interested in donating you may send via PayPal (Paypal ID: w4wx@bellsouth.net) or mail to: Bill Gallier, FDXPG, 2694 North Camel Ave., Middleburg, FL 32068 Visit our two web pages at: [www.geocities.com/hk02003](http://www.geocities.com/hk02003) and [www.geocities.com/w4wx1/upcoming](http://www.geocities.com/w4wx1/upcoming)

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## **Ask Ted: E-mail Etiquette**

This month the Ask Ted article is from my better half Pat;

Just in case not everyone reads the Good Housekeeping magazine, Peggy Post had some great tips on e-mail etiquette that I really thought more people should know about. For instance, did you know that typing in all capital letters is considered the same as YELLING! That's very impolite.

Some etiquette rules apply to the office, and some to just friendly e-mails.

At the office, don't use what Peggy calls e-gossiping. If you wouldn't want what you have written to be posted on a bulletin board at work,

then don't put it in your e-mail. More people have access to your e-mail than you might imagine (like the IT director) and who knows if your so-called friend you're sending the message too doesn't like the other person better and may decide to forward your little bit of gossip? It's much safer to save your gossiping about co-workers for after hours; that is if it must be done at all.

Also, never leave the subject line blank (for work or social e-mails). Without a clue as to what the message is about, how is one to know which ones are most important and must be opened first? Especially in business, when time can be limited. Wouldn't it be awful to open all the unknown e-mails you hadn't had time to read until 4:00 only to discover that tomorrow's 2:00 lay-off meeting was moved up to 2:00 this afternoon and you missed it?

A few other rules – don't ramble on about Aunt Jane or cousin Sue in the middle of business e-mail. Business e-mails should be kept short and to the point. Jokes are not appropriate in the office!

Some things still need to be done in person, and cannot be replaced with e-mail, even though it might be timesaving or just easier than doing it in person. For example, do not ask for a raise in a e-mail, or remind your boss that it is time for your next evaluation. If you have asked in person for time off and the boss has approved and requested that you send an e-mail to remind him of the dates, then that's fine, but don't just ask in an e-mail and assume he or she had time to read it and approved your time off because

there was no return e-mail stating otherwise.

Don't use lots of smilies and emoticons or acronyms in your e-mails at work. Maybe your vice president has never LOL (laugh out loud) in his life, and maybe thinks ; ) is bad punctuation rather than a sideways smiley face winking at him. It's just possible that he may not be amused. By the way, if you are receiving unsolicited x-rated spam mail at work, don't even open it. Just report it to your IT or MIS director. The economy is not good enough today to be getting fired over such mail.

At home there are other rules. One that really bothers me is when people pass on jokes and don't bother to delete all the other e-mail addresses at the top. First of all, it's a privacy issue. Some people equate this to giving out their phone numbers to a telemarketer, and have you asked each one on your list if you can do this? Second if all, it takes up a lot of space and is annoying to have to space down past all that junk to get to the real stuff. Some programs have group mail so you don't have to display all the individual e-mail addresses.

But seriously, is it really so hard to take a few seconds and delete all those extra lines and clean up the mail a bit before forwarding it on to a friend? Then there's the subject of chain letters – if you don't send this to ten friends within five minutes your toilet is going to blow up or all the people in Ohio will starve – well what happens if your recipient doesn't have ten friends to forward the mail to, or if they really believe something bad will happen if they don't forward it in time? Now isn't

that rotten to stress out a friend like that? If they like it and they want to forward it on to someone else they know, I'm sure they can make that decision on their own.

And last, but not least, is the subject of jokes. Not everyone has the same taste. If you are not sure, ask what kind of jokes they like, or even if they like to receive jokes. Be careful of your audience. If you think your 34-year-old son will get a kick out of a joke about the farmer's daughter, that's great, but perhaps you ought to warn him in the subject line not to have the kids standing behind him when he opens the x-rated joke. And your brother might love well built blondes in the buff but your sister-in-law doesn't, so label it "for Rodney only" and keep yourself out of trouble.

I happen to think it's polite to put on the subject line that this e-mail has been virus checked (assuming that it has). And if you get e-mail from someone you don't recognize – don't waste your time. You may have been spammed with junk mail that may damage your files or your machine. Don't even open it. Just delete it.

Oh, and there's one last e-mail rule for both the home and office. Spell check. That's another courtesy that takes all of about thirty seconds. Show a little respect for those you care about! Who knows, maybe your grandmother will read your e-mail and wonder if you really went to school! Spell check and grammar are both important.

Have fun! E-mail is a great invention if used correctly. It can save time and paper in the office, and can help people keep in social

contact across the miles for less than a long distance call. But just like not eating peas all lined up neatly on your knife, everything has its rules of etiquette. Enjoy!

N3OWM's XYL

## **Philmont June Board Meeting**

In attendance were Jim W3BBB, Charlye K3CJ, Maggie K3XS, Rick N3FD, Al W3STW, George W3PXY, Gene N3XKE, Steve WU3I, Bill W3AOK, Ed KB3IV, Fred WA3KIO, and Dick W3RM. Ed KB3IV called the meeting to order at 7:50pm.

**Membership:** An application for membership was presented to the board for Adam Huffnagle KB3JCP. Steve WU3I made the motion to accept the application. Bill W3AOK seconded it.

**Treasurer:** Dick W3RM reported that it was virtually the same as last month with the addition of a membership application fee and the monthly telephone bill. Dick also reported that the deadline for the scholarship was June 1st. Two local hams have applied.

**Nets:** Ed KB3IV reported that the nets are running fine although he is looking for net controls especially for the 75 and 10-meter nets.

**Field Day:** Steve WU3I reported that he has Field Day shirts and pins that will be handed out at the general meeting next week. A new rotator has been obtained with azimuth and elevation and will be used for the satellite station. A new

Field Day coordinator is needed for next year, as this will be Steve's last as coordinator. Steve will continue to participate.

**Website:** Steve has cleaned up the website. MS150 info is available for download or direct registration.

Ed reported that the MS Society is having a three day walk several weeks after the MS150 event and will be looking for ham participants.

**Programs:** Al W3STW reported that programs are falling into place. With no meetings during the summer, September will be the next board meeting.

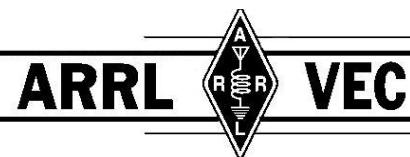
Due to a change in the MS150 route, the September meeting will be devoted to the MS event.

October will feature a talk from a representative of Verizon.

November will feature a talk by Maggie and AL on the AO40 satellite. December will be elections with a program yet to be determined.

**Repeater:** Jim W3BBB reported that the 440 side was down. Off sites were discussed with no decisions made at this time. Echolink is still in trial mode and will remain so for now. A problem with the cavities is being handled at this time and should be straightened out.

**W3AA:** Steve WU3I reported things are moving along with getting the station in order. We have an opportunity to buy Pentium II 350 computers from the Westtown School. The board approved the purchase. Al W3STW has an education program to work with the school to get interest from



## 207th Monthly Phil-Mont

### VE Exam Session Statistics for June 5, 2003

Three candidates took six elements, and we had two upgrades and one new amateur.

The VE team was chaired by Dusty Rhoads **ND3Q**, and the other participating VEs were

Jim McCloskey **NS3K**

Pete Butler **WB2B**

Bob Freer **W3YLT**

Carol Hutkin **K2BL**

#### Upcoming Exam Sessions:

**September (exam date to be announced)**

(See page 2 for details)

the students for amateur radio. The VE session will be tomorrow, the last before summer break.

With no more club business, Al made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ed seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 9:52pm.

## Phil-Mont June General Meeting

Attending the meeting were 24 members and visitors. Ed KB3IV called the meeting to order at 8:08pm.

**Treasurer:** Dick W3RM reported not much activity at this time of year. June 1<sup>st</sup> was the deadline for the FAR scholarships. Two local young amateurs have applied.

**Repeater:** Ed KB3IV reported we are working on finding new offsite locations. Southampton is being repaired. Echolink is still in the experimental stage.

**Emergency Coordinator:** Gene N3XKE reported no emergencies to speak of.

**Website:** Steve WU3I reported that he will no longer be handling any Webmaster duties and that they will be handed over totally to Maggie K3XS.

**W3AA:** Steve reported that things are working out at getting the station together. Two Pentium 350 computers have been purchased by the club for replacing the ones at the station.

**Nets:** Ed KB3IV reported that the nets are running fine but we still welcome anyone who would like to be a net control.

**Blurb:** Maggie K3XS says she is always looking for articles. Remember the deadline is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.

**Public Service:** Charlie W3WF reported that the route has changed after the first 15 miles for the MS150. We will not be in the Days Inn due to other events that weekend taking place.

**VE Program:** Jim NS3K reported that things are working out well at Northeast High. This month there were 3 candidates, 2 new Technicians and one upgrade to General, Joanne N3FTC.

**Programs:** Al W3STW reminded members that elections would be held at the December meeting. We will be looking for candidates to run. Al turned the meeting over to our Field Day Coordinator, Steve WU3I who spoke about the upcoming event.

See everyone at Field Day.  
73, WA3KIO

## No Morse Code Controversy at WRC-03

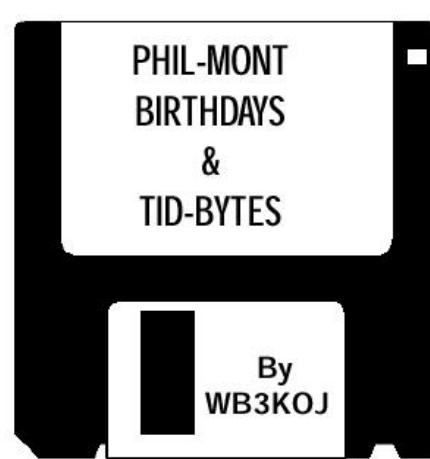
NEWINGTON, CT, Jun 24, 2003—Whatever else happens at World Radiocommunication Conference 2003 (WRC-03), there's no mystery about the delegates' direction regarding the Morse code requirement.

Morse code proficiency will disappear as a treaty obligation for HF access when the International Telecommunication Union—sponsored concludes early next month.

"One matter on which there appears to be no disagreement is the Morse requirement," said International Amateur Radio Union Secretary (and ARRL CEO) David Sumner, K1ZZ, in a report on the second week of activity at WRC-03. "It is clear that the outcome will be to leave it to administrations' discretion whether or not to have a Morse receiving and sending requirement. No administration

participating in the sub-working group spoke in favor of retaining the requirement."

Adoption of the modification would not mean the immediate disappearance of the Morse requirement to operate on the amateur bands below 30 MHz. Each administration, including the FCC, would decide whether to drop the requirement from its domestic regulations. Some countries have indicated a desire to retain a Morse code requirement, even though it would no longer be a treaty obligation.



### Directory Updates:

I goofed last month:

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### MEMBERSHIP STATS

At press time P.M.R.C. has:  
105 FULL PAID MEMBERS  
9 FAMILY MEMBERS  
2 YOUTH  
2 HONORARY MEMBERS  
0 PENDING MEMBER

## July Birthdays

- 02 Ted Katz – N3OWM
- Alice Popovic (XYL W3AOK)
- 03 Nicole Bohlander (XYL WA3KLR)
- 04 Marion Blum (XYL W3PTB)
- Leah Hughes – KB3AIN (XYL W3LEN)
- 08 Brian Hoch – N3VJE
- 09 Pete Broselow – N3WIQ
- James Perry – W3JRP
- 12 Grace Smith (XYL K3GBA)
- 14 Larry Clifford – W3UY
- 19 Christine Fichera (XYL KB3DQH)
- 20 Valerie Hill (XYL KB3HNB)
- Nick Sparozic – AA3WA
- 23 Art Weiner – WX3PHI
- 25 Jinny Haring – W3IIN
- 27 Robert Hill – KB3HNB
- 29 Jim Larkin – KA2FFP
- 31 Steve Hoch – WU3I

### RENEWED & MOVING

(effective 7/23)  
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W3CH@arrl.net

Remember, during July and August we do not have regular monthly meetings or meetings of our Board of Directors. And starting this year, we will not have VE exams in July and August either.

But even in summertime, our nets still run on their regular schedule, and of course you can always count on getting your monthly Blurb!

| Date   | July 2003 with PMRC                      |
|--------|--|
| Tue 01 |  |
| Wed 02 | (no board meeting--summer hiatus)        |
| Thu 03 | (no VE exam this month)                  |
| Fri 04 | Independence Day                         |
| Sat 05 |  |
| Sun 06 | NCS: 2m K3XS – 75m W2AJV                 |
| Mon 07 |  |
| Tue 08 |  |
| Wed 09 | (no general meeting -- summer hiatus)    |
| Thu 10 |  |
| Fri 11 |  |
| Sat 12 |  |
| Sun 13 | NCS: 2m WU3I–75m WA3KIO -- MAARC Hamfest |
| Mon 14 |  |
| Tue 15 |  |
| Wed 16 |  |
| Thu 17 |  |
| Fri 18 |  |
| Sat 19 |  |
| Sun 20 | NCS: 2m KB3IV – 75m KB3IV                |
| Mon 21 |  |
| Tue 22 |  |
| Wed 23 |  |
| Thu 24 |  |
| Fri 25 |  |
| Sat 26 |  |
| Sun 27 | NCS: 2m WB3KOJ–75m W3STW – BRATS Hamfest |
| Mon 28 |  |
| Tue 29 |  |
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| Thu 31 |  |

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